GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
TEXTILES
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:2894
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WOOL BOARD
JASWANT SINGH BISHNOI

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the sheep rearers are being given any training for development of wool;

(b) if so, the number of sheep rearers imparted training in Rajasthan during each of the last three years;

(c) whether the Government are satisfied with the performance of the Wool Board;

(d) if not, the reasons therefor; and

(e) the steps taken by the Government to improve the performance of Wool Board?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI BASANAGOUDA R. PATIL (YATNAL))

(a) & (b) The number of sheep rearers reported as trained in Rajasthan under the Integrated Sheep & Wool Development Project (ISWDP) and Human Resource Development Programme (HRD) of the Central Wool Development Board during the last three years is given below:-

Year	1SWDP	HRD
1999-2000	1230	
2000-2001	7200	45
2001-2002	4260	19
Total	12690	64

(c), (d) & (e) Performance of the Central Wool Development Board is reviewed and monitored periodically at the meetings of its Executive Committee chaired by Joint Secretary (Wool), Ministry of Textiles; at its General Body meetings chaired by the Hon`ble Minister of Textiles and at various other fora where the plan schemes of the Ministry are reviewed and monitored. The Annual Report alongwith audited accounts of the Central Wool Development Board is also placed before the Parliament every year.

Steps taken to improve the effectiveness of the Board include assumption of the chairmanship of the Board by the Union Minister of Textiles, enhancement in the budget allocation for the Board from Rs.28 crore in the Ninth Plan period to Rs.40 crore for the 10th Plan period, frequent interaction between the Board officials and the State Government implementing agencies, etc.